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CHEM 221: PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY II

STREAMS: BSC (CHEM)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: MONDAY 08/4/2019

11.30 A.M. – 1.30 P.M.

**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions**

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- (a) (i) Explain why the heat capacity at a constant volume ( $C_V$ ) value for  $N_2$  is always found to be less than that of  $Cl_2$  at ordinary temperature [3 marks]
- (ii) A 2 m long tube is provided with inlets at both ends so that  $HCl$  and  $NH_3$  gases can be admitted simultaneously. Calculate the distance from  $HCl$  inlet end to the tube at which  $NH_4Cl$  will first appear. If two gases are admitted at the same time, one from one end the other from the other end. [2 marks]
- (iii) A flask contains  $10^{20}$  molecules of  $He$  at  $27^\circ C$ . Determine the number of molecules having:
- (I) Average kinetic energy [5 marks]  
(II) 100 times average kinetic energy [1½ marks]
- (b) If the temperature above which a Van der Waal gas cannot be liquefied is  $32.3^\circ C$  and minimum pressure to be applied at the temperature of liquefaction is 48.2 atm,
- (i) Calculate the diameter of gas molecule [3½ marks]

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- (ii) Calculate “a” in Angstrom and hence pressure of 60gm of the gas at 27°C with a volume of 2 litres if its molecular weight is 30

$$\{IA^\circ = 10^{-10} m, b = \text{effective volume per mole of the gas}, a = \text{the constant of } \propto \text{ortionality} \wedge \text{aret he}$$

[2½ marks]

- (c) (i) predict whether the aqueous solutions of the following will be acidic, neural or alkaline: Ammonium acetate, Ammonium cyanide and Ammonium fluoride

[5 marks]

$$\{K_{\text{acetic acid}} = K_{\text{ammonia}} = 1.75 \times 10^{-5}, K_{\text{HCN}} = 6.2 \times 10^{-10}, K_{\text{HF}} = 6.8 \times 10^{-4}\}$$

- (ii) Define the terms salt hydrolysis, hydrolytic constant and the degree of hydrolysis of a salt [1½ marks]

- (iii) Derive an expression for the pH of an aqueous solution of  $\text{CH}_3\text{COONH}_4$

[5½ marks]

- (iv) Calculate the hydrolysis constant, the degree of hydrolysis and the pH of a 0.524M ammonium acetate solution [½ marks]

### QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- (a) The solubility of AgCl is  $10^{-5}$  mole/litre. Calculate the solubilities in

- (i) Water [1 mark]  
(ii) 0.01M NaCl [3 marks]  
(iii) 0.01M  $\text{NaNO}_3$  [1 mark]  
(iv) 0.001 M Ca  $(\text{NO}_3)_2$

Arrange the solubility of AgCl in decreasing order

$$\{The \text{Debye} - H\acute{u}ckel \text{ constant } A \text{ at } 25^\circ C = 0.51, \log Y_i = -Az + z - \sqrt{\mu} \mu = \text{Ionic strength}\}$$

[2 marks]

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(b) (i) State the applications of the dissociation theory (Arrhenius theory) of ionization

[1 mark]

(ii) Explain to why  $PCl_5$  is not an electrolyte despite the fact that  $PCl_5$  reacts with water to form  $H_3PO_4$  and HCl and the solution is electrically conducting

[1½ marks]

(iii) Discuss how a solvent influences ionization of electrolytes [4½ marks]

(c) (i) With help of a suitable example, explain the importance of common ion effect in analytical chemistry laboratory [3½ marks]

(ii) A saturated solution of  $H_2S$  at  $25^\circ C$  is of the order of 0.1 molar. For  $H_2S$ ,

$K_1=9.1 \times 10^{-8}$  and  $K_2=1.2 \times 10^{-15}$ . Calculate the concentration of

sulphide ions  $S^{2-}$  in this solution and indicate the effect of doubling

$H^+$  ion concentration on the  $S^{2-}$  concentration.

[2½ marks]

### QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

(a) (i) Explain why it's necessary for the solid dissolved in the liquid solvent be non-volatile (in case of colligative properties) [1½ marks]

(ii) Prove that, for a solution of a solute in a non-polar solvent at a particular

concentration,  $DT_b/Tb$  is independent of the nature of solvent

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$\{R = 1.987 \text{ cal K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}, DT_b = \text{elevation of boiling point}, T_b = \text{boiling point of solution}\}$

[1 mark]

(iii) Prove that,  $K_f > K_b$  ( $K_b = \text{Ebullioscopic point}, K_f = \text{cryoscopic constant}$ )

[2

marks]

(b) (i) Outline the main differences between Henry's law and Raoult's law [3 marks]

(ii) Consider a lake that is in normal atmospheric condition. Determine the solubility of  $O_2$  (g) at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  temperature and 1 atm atmospheric pressure considering the vapor pressure of water in the atmospheric as 0.0313 atm. Normal air is composed of 21% of  $O_2$  (g)

$\{ \text{Henry's law constant of oxygen at } 25^\circ\text{C} = 1.3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol L}^{-1} \text{ atm}^{-1} \}$

[1 mark]

(iii) Draw a labeled diagram showing the application of Raoult's law for a gaseous mixture composed of X and Y gases [2½

marks]

(iv) Calculate the vapour pressure of a solution made by dissolving 50.0g  $CaCl_2$ ,

$C_6H_{12}O_6$ , in 500g of water. The vapour pressure of pure water is 47.1 torr at  $37^\circ\text{C}$

[2 marks]

(c) (i) Explain the role of osmotic pressure in food preservation and give a suitable example [1½

marks]

(ii) Explain why a drip intravenous administration of fluids is made of a solution of NaCl at a particular concentration rather than pure water

[1 mark]

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(iii) Calculate the osmotic pressure of a solution of 1.0g of glucose ( $C_6H_{12}O_6$ ) in 1500ml of water at 37°C [1½ marks]

(iv) Briefly explain various methods which are possible to ensure a patient receives enough oxygen during surgery and also state with reasons the method which is the most practical [1½ marks]

(v) The Henry's law constant for  $N_2(g)$  at 298K is  $6.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol L}^{-1} \text{ atm}^{-1}$ . A diver descends to a depth where the pressure is 5 atm. If the divers body contains about 5L of blood, calculate the maximum amount of nitrogen gas dissolved in the divers blood at 1 atm and at 5 atm.

*Assume solubility of nitrogen in water & blood is the same* [1½ marks]

### QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

(a) (i) A solution containing 0.684 gm of cane sugar in 100gm of water freezes at  $-0.037^\circ \text{C}$  while a solution containing 0.585 gm of NaCl in 100gm of water freezes at  $-0.342^\circ \text{C}$ . Calculate  $K_f$  (cryoscopy constant),  $i$  (Van't Hoff Factor) and % dissociation of NaCl. [*Cane sugar*  $\equiv C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}$ ] [2 marks]

(ii) An organic acid (molar mass = 60) associates in benzene to form a dimer when 1.66 gm of the acid is dissolved in 100g benzene, the boiling point of benzene is raised by  $0.36^\circ \text{C}$ . Calculate the Van't Hoff factor and the degree of association of the acid in benzene.

$\{K_b(\text{Ebullioscopic constant}) = 2.6 \text{ kg K mol}^{-1}\}$

[1½ marks]

(iii) A solution of KI is isotonic with a 0.01M solution of  $I_2$  at  $27^\circ \text{C}$ . When equal volume of two solutions were mixed together, the Osmotic pressure

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dropped by 18.5% of that of the individual solutions. Calculate the percentage of conversion of  $I_1^{\ominus}$  to  $I_3^{\ominus}$ . Assume that the solution behave ideally and the salts are completely dissociated.

[5½ marks]

(b) (i) State the principal difference between congruent and incongruent phase transformation

[1 mark]

(ii) List six merits and five demerits of phase rule [3½ marks]

(iii) Write short notes on the phase diagram of the magnesium zinc system [5 marks]

(c) An immiscible liquid A when steam distilled with water gave a distillate of 0.2 dm<sup>3</sup> which contained 0.0572 dm<sup>3</sup> of A. the observed boiling point for the distillation was 98.2°C and the atmospheric pressure was 758 mm Hg. The vapour pressure of water at 98.2°C was 712 mm Hg. The relative density of the liquid was found to be 1.83. Calculate the molar mass of the unknown liquid. [1½ marks]

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